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Applicant: Hans-Peter HEUSS et al.

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**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant's representative is in receipt of an Interview Summary that was mailed out from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 12, 2009, which sets forth the substance of a personal interview conducted between Examiner Teresa J. Walberg and Applicant's representative, Mr. Matthew J. Kremer (Reg. No. 58,671), on March 12, 2009.

The statements made in the Interview Summary regarding what was discussed during the interview (such as, claims 7-9 should have been indicated to be allowed, the Applicant's intention of filing an RCE with claim amendments, and the Examiner indicating that the suggested claim amendments would require further search and consideration) are correct.

It is noted that the characterizations of Eto and Tsunoda, and the statement of collars having slits in the ends being conventional in the art are positions of the Examiner, and are not necessarily conceded by Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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